

Integrated Development Programme of Cashewnut in Andhra Pradesh

*431. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are implementing Integrated Development Programme of Cashewnut in Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) what progress the State has made in production of cashewnuts after extending the development programme; and
- (d) what role the State Government has played in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI NITISH KUMAR): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir, The Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Integrated Development Programme of Cashew & Cocoa in India is being implemented in the State of Andhra Pradesh since the Eighth Five Year Plan. Under this scheme assistance has been provided for establishment of Regional Nurseries, raising of new plantations, replanting of senile plantations, adoption of plant protection measures, development of model clonal cashew gardens and training of farmers.

- (c) The production of cashewnut in Andhra Pradesh has increased from the level of 0.45 lakh tonnes in 1992-93 to 1.00 lakh tonnes in 1999-2000.
- (d) The State Government provided the technical and administrative support in implementing the scheme.

Job for Unemployed

†*432. DR. A.K. PATEL: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are aware of the fact that unemployed youths are not able to secure jobs even after five years of registrations in employment exchanges;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefore;
- (c) whether Government have any scheme under which a job can be secured within a fixed time frame after registrations in the employment exchanges;

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